

Friday, May 7, 1847.

TO OUR PORTAL CORRESPONDENTS.—Let-
ters containing poetry, have reached us quite
in profusion during the past three or four
weeks. From circumstances we have not been
able to give them that attention which
we could desire. During the coming week,
however, we will get them all together, and
come to some determination on the subject,
which will be made known in our next paper.

MAY DAY CELEBRATION.

Saturday last being the first of May, accord-
ing to immemorial custom, the juvenile portion
of the community celebrated it in a style
the most becoming and appropriate. The scholars
attached to the large and flourishing institution
belonging to the Old Fellows' association, formed
a procession about 9 o'clock, A. M., and
marched in a body to the Masonic Hall, where
they were fitted up for the occasion in the
most tasteful manner. We were in the Hall
when the youthful band entered it, and we
were assured, that never in our life have we
witnessed a more pleasing spectacle. So many
bright, merry young faces were there, so
decorated too, as they were, with wreaths of
the most lovely flowers of the season, could
not fail to inspire even a cynic with the most
pleasing emotions. The girls, however, at-
tracted our attention almost entirely, as, of
course they ought to do; and really we do not
know that we ever before gazed upon so lovely
a scene as the "Queen of May" and her
maids of honor presented whilst going through
the interesting ceremony of the coronation.
Most gracefully and with becoming dignity,
too, did the youthful Queen receive and wear
the crown of lovely flowers which was placed
upon her head by her beautiful young subjects.
Miss Kate Jackson was chosen by the free
suffrage of her schoolmates to fill the throne
upon this interesting occasion. The whole
day passed off most delightfully. We learn
that the evening closed with a ball, when light
hearts and light feet followed the Violin
through the mazes of the joyous dance.

FROM VERA CRUZ.—We have received no
news whatever, from Vera Cruz, since last
Friday's paper.

(32) Last Saturday, agreeably to the late ac-
tually changing the mode of electing
Commissioners of Navigation, an election was
held at the Court House, in this place, when
the following ticket, which had been published
in the Journal for several weeks, received a
majority of the votes cast by our citizens, viz:
James F. McCreary, Sr., John Worcester,
Wm. C. Bettencourt, John Walker, Daniel B.
Baker.

There were several other tickets run.

NEW COMPANY OF VOLUNTEERS.—We are
glad to learn that efforts are being made
by a portion of our citizens, to form a new
Volunteer Infantry Company in this town.
The list, which was opened on last Saturday,
at the company musters of the Militia, is fast
filling up. There are already at this time
(Wednesday) upwards of fifty names enrolled.
Amongst them we discover the name of
Ex-Governor E. B. Tuley, and other distin-
guished citizens. It is evident our town stands
in much need of such a company, and we do
hope when our young men see old citizens
like Gen. DUDLEY, giving sanction to it in
the best possible manner, by enrolling their
names on the list as privates, that they will
be stimulated to go forward and do likewise.
Nothing would go farther to give our town a
high standing abroad, than a well disciplined
Volunteer Company; such as we understand
it is the intention to make the one now form-
ing.

The list may be seen at the store of Messrs.
KELLY & McCALL, on Market street.

(33) We are requested to state that a meeting
of the new Volunteer Company, now forming
in this town, will be held at the Court House
this (Friday) evening, at half past 7 o'clock,
when it is desired that those who feel an in-
terest in the matter will attend and enroll their
names.

(34) The annual meeting of the Stockholders
of the Cape Fear Bank was held at their Bank-
ing house in this place, on Tuesday last.
The State Stock was represented by Dr. F. J.
Hill. The following gentlemen were elected
Board of Directors for the ensuing year,
viz: Edward B. Dudley, John Hill, Gabriel
Holmes, A. J. DeRosier, Sen., John Wooster,
Samuel Shuter, Samuel Black, P. K. Dickin-
son, John D. Jones, John Walker, and Wm.
B. Giles.

MAJOR BRANTON BRAGO, the brave officer
who gave the Mexicans "more grape" at
Buena Vista, is from Warren County, in this
State, and the citizens of his native county
have resolved to present him with a sword, as
a token of their admiration for his bravery.
Good!

THE WAKE DISTRICT.—THE CONVENTION.—
The Tarboro' Press of last Saturday, says:—
"It gives us great pleasure to announce that
the Convention, which assembled in Nashville
on Thursday last, nominated with unanimity
the Hon. J. R. J. DIXIE, of Halifax.

We understand that the representation in the
House of Commons was adopted as the basis
of voting. More of this anon. All the coun-
ties were represented except Warren. Mr.
Daniel received two-thirds on the first ballot,
and afterwards the unanimous vote. We
shall give the journal of their proceedings in
our next."

"OLD VIRGINIA FOREVER."
The Chronicle says it "agrees with the
Journal of last week," relative to our remarks
about the Virginia election. Well, we must
confess to the Chronicle that it has got the
hitch on its time, and we shall not "re-
treat the language." If the Chronicle will
only read our short article from which he
quotes, he will find that we wrote our remarks
on the returns then at hand; and as a mat-
ter of course, we felt gratified then to believe
the State had gone right. We have, it's true,
from returns received since then, been some-
what disappointed; and we regret this the
more on account of the welfare of republican
principles, than we do for any clannish
we have lost more representatives in Congress
than we had any idea of. Still we have the
gratification of knowing that the Republicans
of Virginia continue in the ascendency. In
another paragraph will be found a list of the
members elected, so far as known with cer-
tainty.

A private in one of the companies of the

2d Mississippi Regiment, named Carson, for-
merly a member of the Mississippi Legislature,
who had been killed in the late war, was
found by a committee of citizens appointed
by the Intendant of Police of the Town.
On yesterday he gave an audience to
those citizens of Wilmington who were desir-
ous of seeing him, at the Masonic Hall. A
number of the people of Wilmington called
upon him, to whom he made a short address,
in which he carefully refrained from any allu-
sions to the current politics of the day. He
departed in the steamer for Charleston on yester-
day afternoon, on his way to New Orleans,
which we learn he purposes visiting.

VIRGINIA ELECTION.—All the districts in
this State have not yet been heard from. Thus
far, there is no concealing the fact, we have
lost ground. Last Congress the delegation
was composed of fourteen Democrats and one
Whig. This time the Whigs have elected
five Congressmen, with one district yet to be
heard from. The Legislature, we think, will
be Democratic. In our next paper we will
be able to give our readers the final result.

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